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A flexible tube is interposed between straight metal pipes for conveying refrigerant in connected relation thereto respectively. The flexible tube is provided integrally with a thin corrugated metal tube portion which extends continuously between straight connecting tube portions. The thin corrugated metal tube portion is formed of convolution like or bellows like corrugation in cross-section axially thereof. The flexible tube may be, for example, made of copper.

An outer periphery of the thin corrugated metal tube portion is circumscribed by rubber sheath.

The rubber sheath may circumscribe the thin corrugated metal tube portion so as to exhibit an appearance of a round straight tube or a cylindrical straight tube.